

*Allium triquetrum* L. (Liliaceae.) 44793. Sets from Mustapha-Alger, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut. A bulbous plant with a 3-angled stem, common on the coast of Algeria. In its usual surroundings this plant is a rather dwarfed weed of dry texture, but it has now been found that when it is transplanted to good garden soil with plenty of fresh water it produces, during the winter, large plants with white, tender and succulent underground parts. If the green leaves are removed, the rest of the stem forms a delicate vegetable with no odor of garlic. (Adapted from Trabut, Revue Horticole, July 1, 1913, pp. 311, 312.)

*Annona testudinea* Safford. (Annonaceae.) 44774. Seeds of a **tortoise-shell custard-apple** from Guatemala. Collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe. "The tortoise-shell custard-apple, from the town of El Rancho, in eastern Guatemala. It may not have been grown at this place, as it was purchased in the market, but it was probably grown somewhere in the immediate vicinity. This interesting *Annona* belongs to the section *Chelonocarpus*, or Hard-shelled Custard-apple group, established by Safford (Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences, vol. 3, No. 4, Feb. 19, 1913). The tree, which has not been seen by me, is described as being 12 to 15 meters high, with oblong or oblong-elliptic leaves, acuminate at the apex, and 25 to 35 cm. long. The fruit is more or less globose in form, about 4 inches in length, with a hard shell divided on the surface into polygonal areoles by slightly raised ridges. It strongly resembles the common custard-apple, being dull green, and somewhat pruinose. The seeds, however, are quite different from those of the common custard-apple, (*Annona reticulata*), being considerably larger and pointed at the apex. The flesh is white, soft, watery, free from the grittiness which is so objectionable in *A. reticulata*, sweet and of pleasant flavor. The pulp does not adhere to the seeds in the ripe fruit. This species seems worthy of a trial in South Florida. It will probably be too tender for cultivation in California, unless in the most favored locations such as Santa Barbara." (Popenoe.)

*Brassica napus dichotoma* (Roxb.) Prain. (Brassicaceae.) 44788. **Tori** or **Indian rape** seeds from Ranchi, India. Presented by Mr. A. C. Dobbs, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Chota Nagpur Division. These seeds were sent in response to a general request for all *Brassica*